

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Hope A. Robinson

Group Art Unit : 1653

Applicants : Slobodan Vukicevic et al.

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For : REPAIR OF LARYNX, TRACHEA, AND OTHER

FIBROCARTILAGINOUS TISSUES

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's December 10, 2004 Final Office Action. With the extension, the deadline for filing a reply is on or before April 11, 2005 (April 10, 2005 being a Sunday). A check in the amount of \$120.00, in payment of

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the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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